

LOGNOTE -- Chief, Operations Group, 30 June 1983

2. [ ] I remarked to [ ] that I saw that [ ] had at last been prevailed upon to retire. [ ] said he would believe it when he saw it. [ ] has been engaged in an 18 month delaying action and [ ] feels, apparently on pretty good information, that [ ] has been holding on waiting for [ ] to arrive and "save" him.

[ ] is not very positive about Okinawa's Russian team. He describes [ ] as being mentally "out to lunch" much of the time. He says [ ] means well, but still turns in very rough translations and [ ] wonders whether or not he will ever catch on.

[ ] has a better feel for the work, but [ ] feels he is still quite immature, regards the whole business as a lark, and really doesn't yet know what having a job means. He may grow up with experience, however.

[ ] is not enthusiastic about the bureau's new Russian EOD and fears he may turn out to be another [ ]. The chap's English does not look too strong, [ ] says.

[ ] speculated that part of the problem with the Russians may be [ ] himself. He has a Cossack style of training and supervising, and still tends to turn in extremely literal translations on his own.

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